(4) Each Media Unit should try to encourage both individual as well as collective effort by the handicapped, such as, blind, deaf, dumb and other disabled persons as well as institutions doing service to this section of society. Media Units should also try to propagate the good work that is being done to eradicate diseases like leprosy and to remove inhibitions about them.

(5) The Media Units should devise suitable programmes to eradicate social evils such as untouchability, narrow parochial attitudes and loyalties, in-equalities and exploitation. Steps taken by the Government in this regard should be highlighted.

(6) Dissemination of information, news and comments in Akashvani and Doordarshan and Films Division should be done in a fair, objective and balanced manner including 'contrasting points of view with emphasis on events and developments. Reference to personalities may be made primarily for providing human interest.

(7) Media Units should adopt a professional approach in their activities. They should strive for creating audience interest and to meet their needs and expectations by a taiking about what is on the ground; having stories of local interest in a realistic manner by adopting actual field-based coverage. The media units should, instead of limiting themselves mostly to what the Government is planning to do, identify and highlight successful examples of group and individual efforts in developmental activities and towards solution local problems. Problems and issue should also be covered from the public point of view without any hesitation in bringing out healthy criticism.

(8) Media Units and, particularly, Akashvani and Doordarshan, should endeavour to put out news and features which are investigative and indepth. There should be a greater attempt in diversification of coverage in terms of personalities being brought in for participation, places of origination of news, and sources being relied upon.

(9) Media Units should have a constant dialogue among themselves and establish effective horizontal linkages to support and supplement one anothers' programmes and resources.

(10) Each Media Unit should have adequate systems for continuous evaluation and re-assessment of performance in the context of its specific objectives, resources and schedules.

4. This communication supersedes earlier communications No. 1/5/77-IP&MC dated 18th April, 1977, No. 12/215/77-B(P), dated 29th June, 1978, No. 12/215/77-B (P), dated 7-11-78 and No. 12/215/77-B(P) dated 29th May, 1979, on this subject.

5. The receipt of this communication may please be acknowledged.

2196. [*Transferred to the 10th August*, 1989].

Installation of Statue of Mahatma Gandhi at India Gate

2197. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention have been drawn to the recent prices report about the difference of opinion in various departments about installation of statue of Mahatma Gandhi at India Gate; and

(b) if so, by when the statue is likely to be installed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Government is aware of the reports appearing in newspapers about installation the statue of Mahatma Gandhi at In Gate. However, Government is aware of inter departmental differences this matter.

(b) The preparation of statue is un progress and the same will be insta when it has been completed.

Agreement for setting up of food processing Industries by Multinational Compa

2198. SHRI B. SATYANARAY REDDY: Will the Minister of FO PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be ple to state:

(a) whether Government have si any agreement with other countries ing up of export oriented joint ven in the Food Processing Industry in pri sector; and

(b) if so, what are the names of countries and the details of agreement signed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING NDUSTRIES (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Promotions of S-1 grade Scientists in ICAR

2199. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of scientists of S-I grade with Ph.D degree and having more than 13 years of experience in Agricultural Research Service or equivalent service under Indian Council of Agricultural Research who were in the employment of the ICAR including its institutes as on Ist January, 1986; and

(b) whether Government propose to consider their placement/promotion in the pay scale of Rs. 3700-5700 in terms of U.G.C. pay package which has been implemented for the scientists of ICAR with effect from Ist January, 1986?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARI KRISHNA SHASTRI): (a) Sir, there were only two S-I Scientists on 1.1.1986 who had done Ph.D and had entered the service on ICAR before 1.1.1973.

(b) The U.G.C. pay package does not envisage such placement/promotion.

Affairs of Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board

2200. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chairman, Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board (ASRB) is answerable for its work and activities to the Minister of Agriculture who is also the President of Indian Council of Agricultural Research;

(b) if so, the details of mechanism and procedure adopted by Government to supervise and guide the activities of the ASRB in policy matter;

(c) whether recommendations made by the ASRB regarding promotion and direct recruitment of scientists are approved by the Minister;

(d) whether any complaints has been received by the Agriculture Minister regarding an attempt on part of the Chairman ASRB to circumvent the decision taken by the Minister in accordance with prescribed rules and procedure as an appellate authority in the matter of scientist's assessment/review for the purpose of promotion; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and actior taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARI KRISHNA SHASTRI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Agricultural Scientist's Recruitment Board is required to submit annually by the second week of May of the year following the financial year a report on its activities for each financial year to the President, I.C.A.R.

(c) The Agricultural Scientist's Recruitment Board functions as an independent recruiting agency and is responsible for recruitment to posts in the Agricultural Research Service of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research. Their recommendations are submitted for consideration to the Agriculture Minister who is his capacity as President, ICAR is the appointing authority for the scientists in the Agricultural Research Service.

(d) and (e) A complaint was received from a Scientists alleging that (i) a rereview of assessment ordered by the President was delayed by 15 months by the Chairman, ASRB; and that (ii) the Chairman, ASRB was biased against him. The complaint of this Scientist was looked